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SUBJECT: MOBUTU SPEECH COVERS WIDE RANGE OF SUBJECTS

SUMMARY: IN 40-MINUTE PREPARED SPEECH IN FRENCH TO CLOSING SESSION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S SYMPOSIUM IN KINSHASA MAY 20, PRESIDENT MOBUTU TOUCHED ON POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SUBJECTS, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC. HE ANNOUNCED AMNESTY FOR WOMEN CONVICTS, AND PLANS FOR CREATING STOCKS OF

MINERALS. HE ADMITTED ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES, BUT SAID PROBLEMS WOULD BE WELL ON WAY TO SOLUTION BY 1980. MAIN POINTS FOLLOW. END SUMMARY.

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2. WOMEN. AFTER 60 HOURS OF DIALOGUE WITH WOMEN AUDIENCES DURING

RECENT 3-WEEK TOUR OF INTERIOR, MOBUTU SAID HE WAS IMPRESSED BY THEIR POLITICAL MATURITY. THEIR QUESTIONS, MAINLY OF SOCIAL NATURE, DESERVED CAREFUL STUDY. HE ANNOUNCED AN AMNESTY FOR ALL WOMEN CONVICTS IN ZAIRE. HE THEN SAID THAT TO PERMIT WOMEN TO JOIN FULLY IN COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, THOSE IN RURAL AREAS ARE TO RECEIVE TRAINING IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION BRIGADES.

3. AFRICA. THERE SHOULD BE "NO DIALOGUE" WHERE WHITE MINORITY REGIMES OF RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA ARE CONCERNED. IN SOUTH AFRICA, ANY DIALOGUE SHOULD BE BETWEEN BLACKS AND WHITES THERE. ZAIRE DOES NOT COVET CABINDA. GOZ HELPS ALL ANGOLAN (AND ALL AFRICAN) LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

IT HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY GENEROUS TOWARD ANGOLANS, AND YET IT IS BEING

REPAID IN CRITICISM. (THERE WAS FLEC DELEGATION AT SYMPOSIUM BUT NOT FNLA DELEGATION.) EVERYBODY KNOWS CABINDA IS NOT ANGOLA. MOBUTU THEN CITED HISTORICAL REASONS FOR CABINDAN SEPARATISM. ALL ZAIRE ASKS IS THAT CABINDANS BE ALLOWED TO DECIDE BY REFERENDUM WHETHER TO BE CABIN DAN

OR ANGOLAN. ZAIRE WILL NOT OBJECT, WHATEVER THEIR DECISION. BUT ZAIRE CANNOT HELP BEING INTERESTED IN SITUATION SINCE ITS TERRITORY SEPARATES

ANGOLA FROM CABINDA. MOBUTU EMPHASIZED THAT HE WAS EXPRESSING "A POINT OF VIEW" AND NOT "TAKING A POSITION." SAID HE WANTED NO TRAGEDIES SUCH AS BANGLADESH IN AFRICA.

4. FAR EAST. NONALIGNED COUNTRIES REJOICE OVER VICTORIES OF CAMBODIAN AND VIETNAMESE PEOPLE. IT IS ONLY HONEST TO EMPHASIZE THAT THESE VICTORIES WERE HASTENED BY SHIFT IN VIEWS OF AMERICAN PEOPLE WHO DEMANDED WAR'S END AND WHOSE REPRESENTATIVES REFUSE TO VOTE FURTHER MILITARY CREDITS. ZAIRE'S REASON FOR REJOICING IS THAT VICTORIES WERE FOR "AUTHENTICITY" WHICH IS ONLY ABSOLUTE WEAPON FOR COMBATTING IMPERIALISM AND INJUSTICE.

5. PALESTINE. PEOPLE OF PALESTINE CAN TAKE HOPE FROM CAMBODIAN AND VIETNAMESE VICTORIES. IF THEY WANT PEACE, JEWISH PEOPLE MUST EVACUATE OCCUPIED TERRITORY AND RECOGNIZE PALESTINIANS' RIGHT TO A HOMELAND. MOBUTU WELCOMED ARRIVAL OF PALESTINIANS TO ATTEND SYMPOSIUM AND TO PREPARE OPENING OF PLO OFFICE HERE.

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6. ZAIRE'S ECONOMY. ZAIRE IN SERIOUS FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES CAUSED BY OIL PRICE RISE AND COPPER PRICE FALL. TO INCREASE ZAIRE'S CONTROL OVER ITS OWN EXPORTS, A STATE MARKETING COMPANY FOR AGRICULTURAL IS BEING ESTABLISHED, ALONG THE LINES OF SOZACOM, ZAIRE'S YOUNG MINERAL MARKETING ORGANIZATION.

ZAIRE INTENDS TO QUOTE PRICES FOR ITS RAW MATERIALS HERE IN KINSHASA NEXT YEAR, ESPECIALLY THOSE IN WHICH ZAIRE HOLDS A MONOPOLY. MOBUTU ANNOUNCED TWO NEW INSTITUTIONS TO OVERSEE FOREIGN TRADE AND PAYMENTS:

A FOREIGN TRADE BANK TO FINANCE IMPORTS AND EXPORTS AND A FOREIGN DEBT MANAGEMENT FUND, WHICH WOULD ALSO HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR MINERALS STOCKPILED ON A REGIONAL BASIS.

7. 1980. AFTER RUNNING OVER LIST OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN TRAIN OR IN PERSPECTIVE, MOBUTU CONCLUDED, "IN SPITE OF INFLATION, RECESSION, ENERGY CRISIS, MONETARY DISORDER, AND COLLAPSE OF RAW MATERIAL PRICES, I PROMISE YOU THAT IN 1980, THANKS TO OUR DEVELOPMENT PLAN, ZAIRE WILL ENJOY HEALTHY ECONOMY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE THAT MANY WILL ENVY."

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